

# SPHENIX EMCAL Update

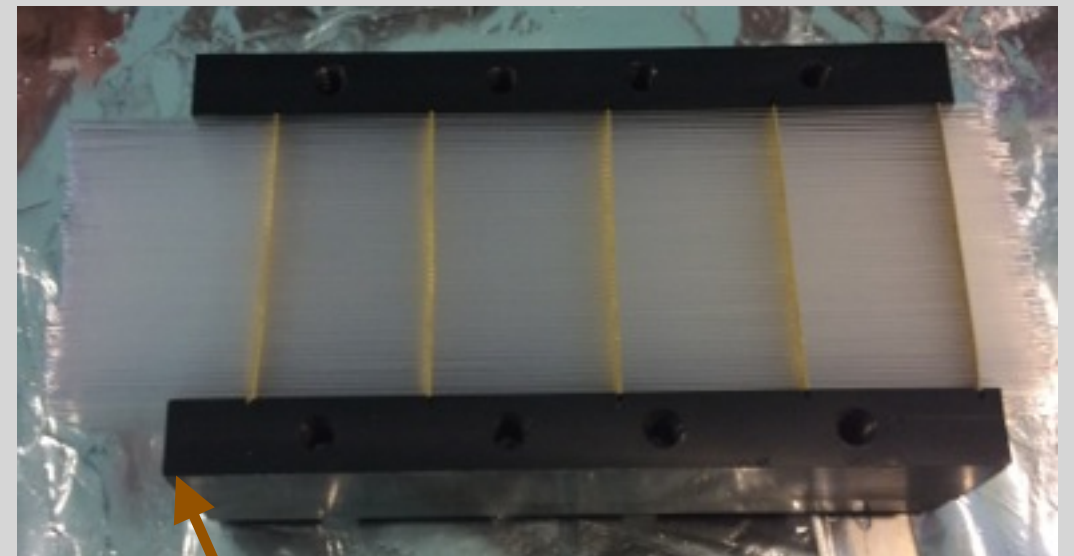
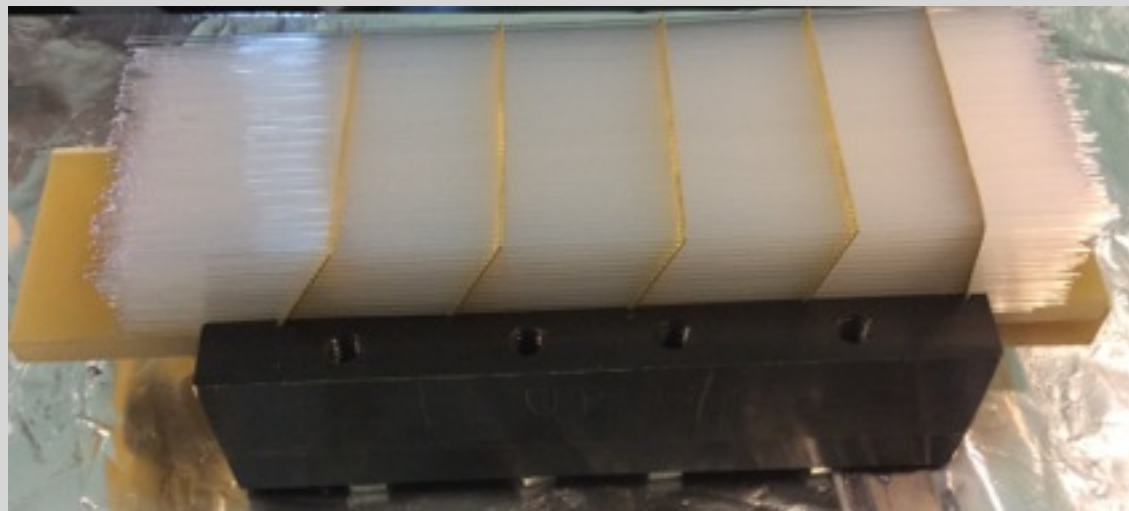
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# Outline of Presentation

- Single module build process
- Final density values
- Improvements/lessons learned for next design

# Meshes/fibers inside mold

The fibers with meshes are placed in the mold. A small board is used for mesh placement then carefully removed. This is done so the meshes are easier to place.



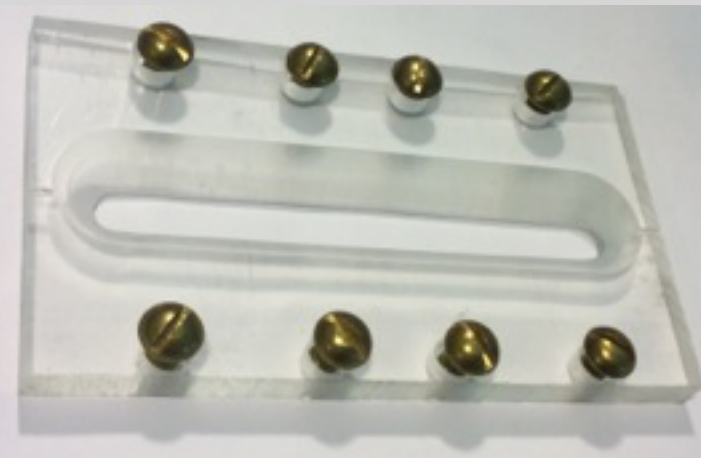
**board is removed**

**small board used for placement**

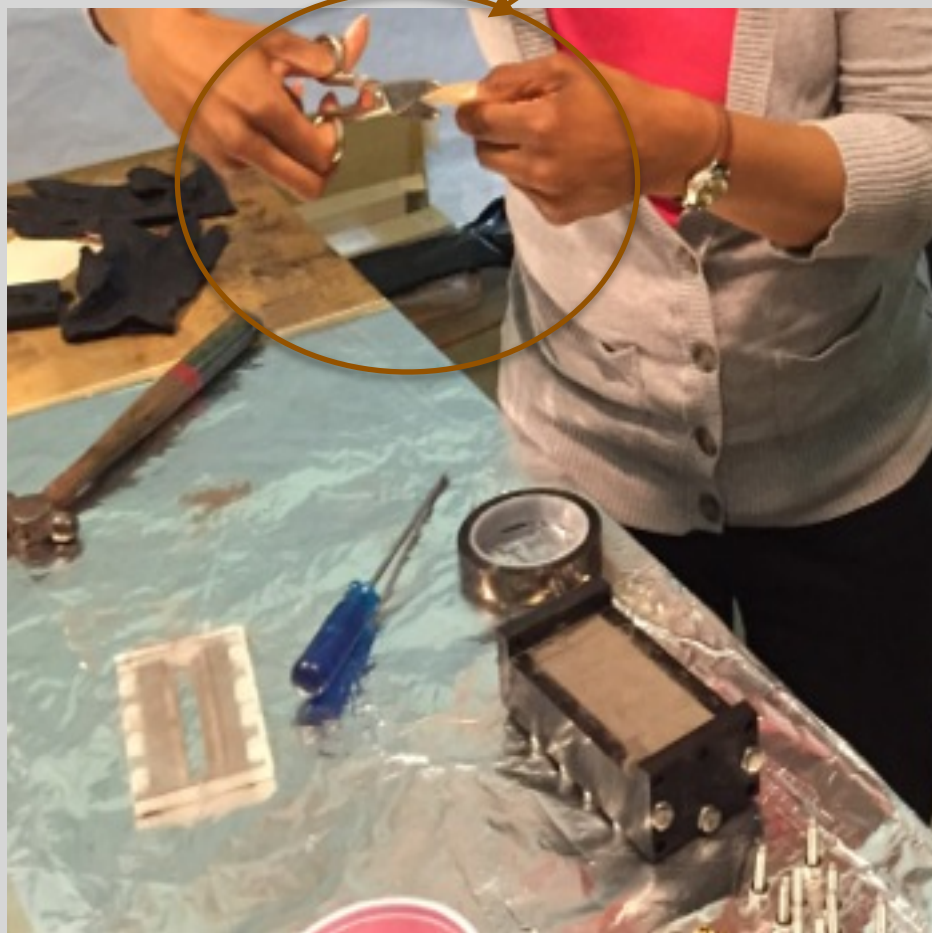
# Tungsten fill

The Tungsten poured into a slot to see the fill level. At this time a vibration table is used to settle the powder.

**top used to fill Tungsten**



**fabric pieces are added to prevent Tungsten from being pulled out in the vacuum**



**top changed for final epoxy**



**mold filled with Tungsten**





# Epoxy Mix Added / Vacuum Pump

The epoxy is fed through the bottom of the module and the vacuum pump pulls the epoxy through.

**epoxy vacuumed  
out the top**

**Tungsten powder is also  
removed, possibly  
because the fabric slipped.**



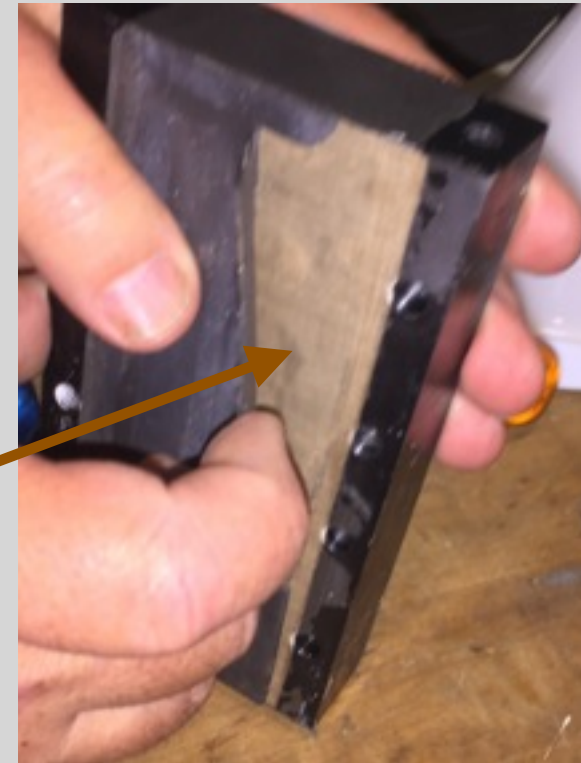
**epoxy fed through  
the bottom port**

# Opening the mold after epoxy fill

top view



peeling back the  
filter paper



bottom view



side view



side view closeup





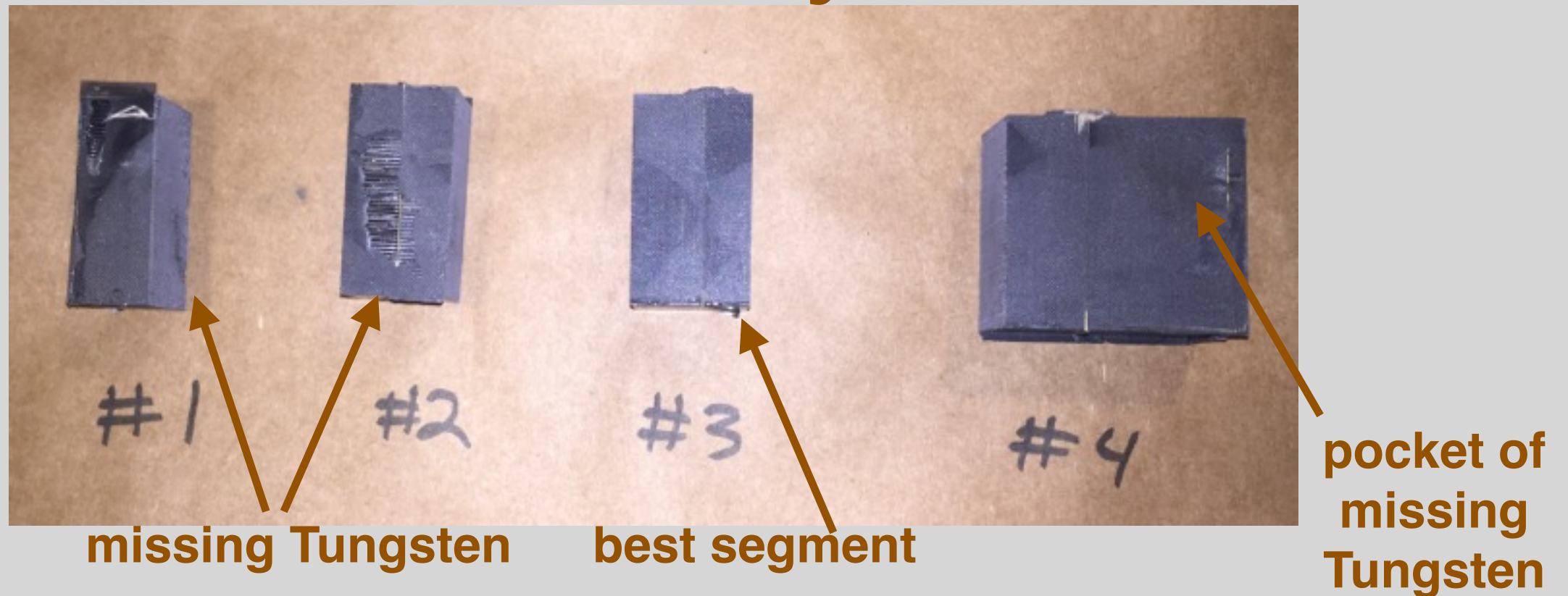
# Final Module

The final module after being removed from the mold.  
Tungsten is missing from the far left of the module.



**Tungsten powder is missing here**

# Final Density Values



seg #	Volume (cm <sup>3</sup> )	Mass(g)	Density (g/cm <sup>3</sup> )	% Difference
<b>#1</b>	34.8	119.6	<b>3.43</b>	<b>88.6%</b>
<b>#2</b>	36.5	197.7	<b>5.42</b>	<b>48.5%</b>
<b>#3</b>	41.3	358	<b>8.67</b>	<b>2.5%</b>
<b>#4</b>	87.7	715	<b>8.15</b>	<b>8.6%</b>

**#1: missing Tungsten, mostly epoxy**

**#2: missing Tungsten**

**#3: best segment**

**#4: pocket of missing Tungsten, epoxy end included**

**BNL density value: 8.89g/cm<sup>3</sup>**



# Density Calculations segment #3

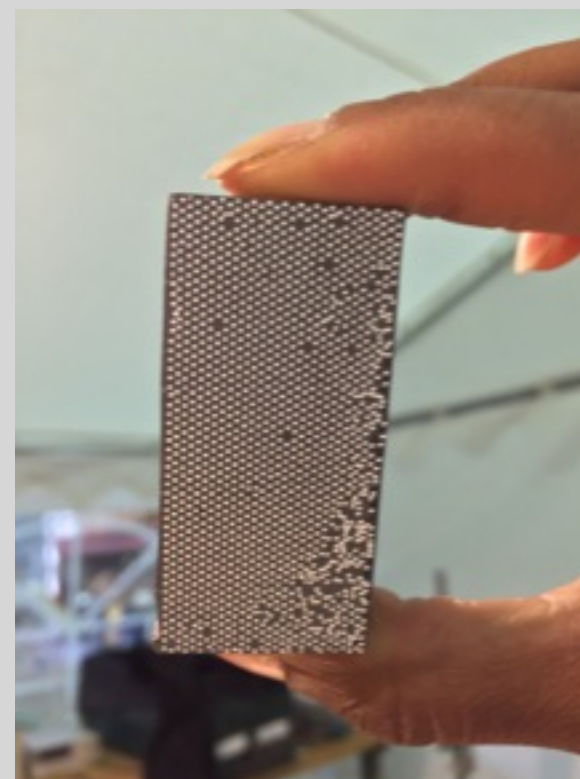
volume of segment #3:  $5.3\text{cm} \times 2.6 \times 3.0 = 41.3\text{cm}^3$

mass = 358g

density =  $358\text{g} / 41.3\text{cm}^3 = \mathbf{8.67\text{g/cm}^3}$

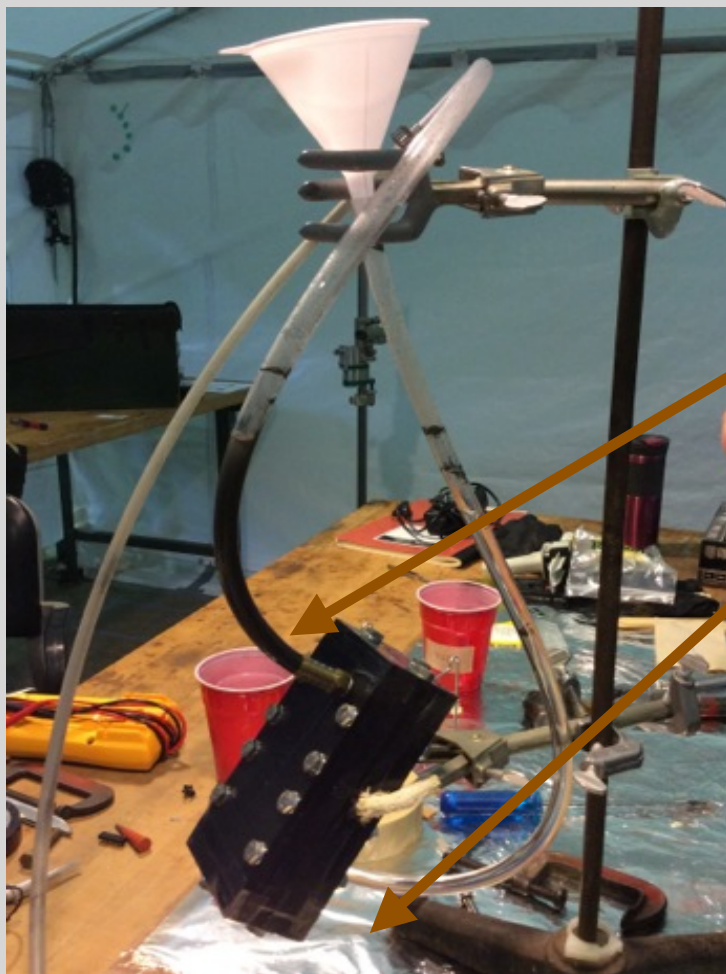
Goal from BNL:  $8.89\text{g/cm}^3$

% difference:  $|8.67 - 8.89| / (0.5(8.67 + 8.89)) \times 100 = \mathbf{2.5\%}$



# Lessons learned / Improvements for next module

We plan to fix the regions that have low Tungsten by extending the port openings pass the length of the module.



**Extend these ports and make the mold longer, then cut off the outer regions.**

**Machine off the end regions**

